

The Challenge

It would be fair to interpret the main feature of President Eisenhower's message to Congress on "The State of the Nation," delivered February 2nd, as a reflection of the feeling among the people of the United States toward that statement in Korea. Too long has this stalemate continued for the patience of a people whose energies are forthright in the tackling and completion of any job they undertake.

The outbreak of prolonged action which the elected president's announcement of his government's decision to rescind the orders of the 7th United States Fleet, which for the past two years has been engaged in Formosa waters, was an indication of the feeling of the American people which has long been felt by the majority of our neighbors south of the border.

That this decision by the new Republican administration was disturbing to the foreign offices of both Britain and France quickly became evident; although reaction in Ottawa was more reticent. The probability is that in London and Paris the remarks of the President regarding the proposals he had in mind were taken as a challenge to the Soviet Union of Russia, which, indeed, it is. Nevertheless, since much of the free western world appears to be stricken by the same paralysis exhibited by a rabbit in the face of a ferret, it may be as well to recall a pronouncement made by the late "Milk" Roosevelt: "The only thing we have to fear is fear."

When Mr. Eisenhower drew the attention of his hearers to the fact of the rejection by the Soviet block of the Indian proposals for a truce settlement in Korea, which was accepted by 63 members of the United Nations; and further, saw no reason for protecting Chinese communists by a United States fleet—the same communists who were killed in Korea as well as in Malaya and Indo-China—he may have felt upon safe ground. Moreover, as he pointed out, Mr. Truman's order to the Seventh fleet was made prior to the intervention by Chinese communists into the Korean struggle since by restraining the rival Chinese forces of Chang Kai Shek, it intended to limit the area of hostilities. It followed, logically, that the Chinese communists, themselves, are responsible for any consequences which may arise.

Whether this move by the new U.S. administration is the course of wisdom is, and will be, a matter for conflicting views. But, for the present, it is at least an effort to resolve a situation which was becoming intolerable to many citizens of a great country which, unlike Great Britain, had never recognized the communist government of Beijing.

Bill Marsh Takes Edmonton Job

Mr. Bill Marsh left Drumheller this week for Edmonton to take the post of head of the district for the Canadian Utilities. In his new appointment his territory will include the whole of Alberta.

Bill Lennon, formerly with the Canadian Utilities company, has been appointed to the post vacated by Marsh here as district farm electrification.

Mr. Marsh, who has been with the Canadian Utilities company for over 20 years, in the past years has been instrumental in forcing many of the district electrification installations serving the farm area.

DELIA F.W.U.A.

The regular meeting of Delia Local F.W.U.A. was held on January 29th, with five members present.

Miss Schatz, district economist, was asked to come in May or June to demonstrate a luncheon menu.

Mrs. C. Greer was chosen unanimously as F.W.U.A. representative to the Library board.

Mrs. R. Stevenson submitted a report on the Library meeting. It was agreed to extend an invitation to all ladies in the district to join the F.W.U.A. and to attend our meetings in Delia.

—Mrs. F. Beattie, Sec.

THE WORLD OF WHEAT

By H. G. L. Strane
Director "The Crop Testing Plant"

The Value of Demonstration Plots

The "Crop Testing Plant" for many years has been able, through the kindness of Elevator Agents, to set out Demonstration Plots consisting of seven or eight of the approved varieties of wheat, oats, barley, and sometimes flax. These Demonstration plots have allowed farmers in each district to observe just how the different varieties behave, and in consequence to decide which one of them was best suited to their particular district: this for the reason that different varieties are often better suited to different districts. We are informed that these plots have been of considerable benefit to farmers, helping them to choose the right variety.

The "Crop Testing Plant" has now decided to make seed for these plots available to farmers in any district who would like to set one up. A complete set of instructions and the different varieties enclosed in envelopes, and ready for sending, with instructions, will be sent without charge to any who wish to apply for them as long as supplies last. These packages should be of particular value to those who manage a garden. Apply to the "Crop Testing Plant," Room 357 Grain Exchange Building, Winnipeg.

Foresight Big Safety First Factor

It is more difficult to come down to the nub of the safety rule of careful, thoughtful, experienced, cautious driving. Each move upward on the slippery, rocky sides of a mountain, it is made by the mountaineer only after a study has revealed that coming down will be accomplished safely. All safety rules and practices are framed to throw up a constant barrier of safety and to protect all to the limit. A careless workman, a dangerous driver or a thoughtless pedestrian can cause accidents involving innocent bystanders. Watch for carelessness on the highways, the streets and at your work. Make the other fellow realize that perfect safety is an accomplishment in teamwork worthy of the best effort.

Synthetic Narcotic Drug Use Risks

GENEVA — Laboratories have been turning out more and more synthetic narcotic drugs, but the world has not been cutting its use of opium products, one of the highest United Nations control bodies reports here.

In fact, the Permanent Central Opium Board declares in a report issued last week that the use of the surveillance of the narcotic trade, the use of synthetic narcotic drugs has almost doubled.

The Board also listed as a matter of concern the fact that statistics from principal opium producing countries are vague. It recommended that it was impossible to determine the lawful production of opium from these countries.

In addition, the Board pointed out "the steady and remarkable increase in the consumption of opium during the last two decades."

McDonald Had Busy Term As President

The growth in the Alberta Livestock Breeders' Association during the past few years, it was learned at the annual meeting held in Calgary last week, has made the provision of facilities for the spring show a major problem.

W. D. McDonald, chairman of the association for the '52 season, found that the facilities for the show were far beyond accommodation capacity at Varsity Park, Banff, in Calgary.

Chinook Wheat... A New Variety

Lethbridge Experimental Station
Weekly Letter

(By M. N. Grant, Cerealist)

Early in 1952 the new variety, resistant hard spring wheat, Chinook, was licensed for sale in Canada. The licensing of the variety was followed by its acceptance as a recommended variety for Zone 1 in Alberta and Zones 1A and 1C of Saskatchewan. These zones comprise the relatively dry brown soil areas in the southern portions of the two provinces.

Chinook compares favorably in yield with Thatcher in the drier areas, and its kernels show less tendency to be shriveled than Thatcher. The straw strength of Chinook is slightly less than that of Thatcher. The two varieties are about equal in date of maturity. Compared with Reese, Chinook is approximately the same in resistance to wheat-damaging insects, is slightly earlier, and is superior in quality. Chinook is eligible

for the grade, whereas Reese, because of certain deficiencies in its milling and baking characteristics, does not grade higher than No. 1 Northern.

Certified seed stocks of the new variety were increased under contract during 1952. A sample of Chinook prepared by one of the contract growers took sixth place in the hard red spring wheat class at the Royal Winter Fair in Toronto, and did even better at the World's Fair in Chicago.

Distribution of Chinook seed to farmers has been greatly increased in Saskatchewan, and is continuing in Alberta. Applications for seed s.e. will be accepted at the Cereal Breeding Laboratory, Lethbridge, Alberta, but the demand is expected to exceed the supply this year. The price per bushel and the allotment per farmer has been kept under the control of Experimental Station officials.

It is the belief of those who have worked with Chinook in its development, that the variety will make its best showing, compared with other varieties, in years of

compressive drought. Chinook has always demonstrated an ability to retain a high bushel weight when other varieties have shriveled through lack of sufficient moisture.

One cannot believe that the Fall River Triangle can look forward indefinitely to a future mature rainfall such as we have seen in the last few years. Drought years will come again, and when they do the drought-resistance of Chinook will be properly appreciated.

Donnie Lefebvre Takes Jet Training Course

Donnie Lefebvre early this week at London, Ontario, started an RCAP Officer Training Course leading to graduation as a "jet pilot." The course includes two months of ground training and ten months of the instruction. Donnie, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lefebvre, of Drumheller.

Nagloren Starts RCAP Officer Training

Miss M. Nagloren, formerly of East Coules, has been transferred from the Radio section at Ottawa's National RCAP Station to London to take an officer training course. It was learned here at the weekend.

For the past several months Miss Nagloren has been in charge of the Radio Section at Ottawa.

FARMER'S COLUMN



GREATER THAN CHAMPIONSHIP

WINNING THE GRAND CHAMPIONSHIP is only a small part of the reward to any member of the Junior Calf Club at the annual spring show and sale. It was learned this week in an interview with District Director Stuart Pettit, this week.

Fortunately each member who succeeds or otherwise enjoys success in Junior Calf Club work and a wealth of experience which in later years proves to be invaluable raising success. The course includes two months of ground training and ten months of the instruction.

Throughout the months of study each member of a club finds opportunities to gain experience through actual work in the field. The course is supervised by the leaders and district agriculturalists and officials of the A.S. Society.

The interest and experience gained by juniors in calf club

work in the past several years has led to a direct increase in the demand of beef cattle on hundreds of Alberta farms officials have learned.

Junior Calf Club work in the Northwest district has enabled hundreds of boys and girls to gain experience in most prominent local breeders and to discuss livestock problems intelligently.

Leadership, since the first clubs were established here, has been on the highest possible level with facilities provided by officials and livestockmen on a "high level." During the present calf raising term many of the young handlers will be guests at farmhouses throughout the district for practical experience and take on livestock, are other advantages.

Community Replaces Calf For Swallow Junior

When the calf Marvin Lowen, of Swallow, was fitting to enter in the Drumheller and District Spring Calf Show and Sale, due to pneumonia the other day, members of the community took a collection and then brought another animal for the youthful stockman.

Economy Driving 35 Miles To Gallon

LONDON, England — A D.K. firm has introduced a 24-passenger (two adults and a child) motor car which does 30 miles to the gallon. It has a 100 h.p. engine, 100 h.p. torque, 100 h.p. engine and will cruise at 35 m.p.h. The car is made by the D.K. firm, Surrey, England.

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SYDNEY.—Mainmaking scientists in Australia believe they have "very promising" prospects of evolving, within five years, an economical way of changing the natural distribution of rainfall over wide areas to suit farmers and ranchers. Experiments at present are focussed on the discovery that under certain conditions a cumulus cloud with a reasonably high water content can be induced to rain by spraying just below its base with salt or lime.

Pizza Pie
Becomes Italy's
Celebrated Dish

WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES

Rowboats
Become Taxis
In Holland

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HE WAS JUST A BIT TOO GOOD—One of the most sensational art forgers in decades came to light in Lubek, Germany, recently when Ludwig Mahlat, a Lubek painter, strode into a police station and requested that he be tried for art forgery. He told officials he had painted and sold to German dealers and collectors more than 100 "genuine old masters," describing them as originals. The greatest shock came when Mahlat "rediscovered" in Lubek St. Mary's church, were found to be original works by Mahlat himself. Here, Mr. Mahlat goes regularly over a painting he describes as a "genuine Rembrandt." But nobody is buying, or believing now. The young forger is too good at copying.—Central Press Canadian.



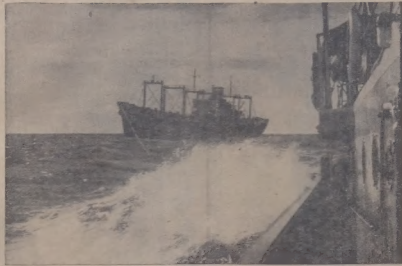
ROWBOATS BECOME HOLLAND TAXIS—Faced by serious floods at the waters of the Maas River run rampant, residents of Urmont, Holland, are forced to use boats to travel in the streets. An unexpected visitor thus caused river to rise across the Dutch lowlands and then spread into France where the Seine River reached flood stage.—Central Press Canadian.



LITTLE GIRL SURVIVES ATTACK OF MOUNTAIN LION—Bitten on the side in his cage, the mountain lion that mauled Mary Babbitt, may be returned.



SEEK ACCORD ON SUDAN QUESTION—General Mohammed Naguib, prime minister of Egypt, leaves the council of ministers in Cairo with Sir Ralph Richardson, British ambassador, after a discussion of the future of the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan.—Central Press Canadian.



MAPLECOVE CREW WHITE SEA SAGA IN NINE-DAY STORM—After nine days of helpless drifting in 80-m.p.h. gales, the Canadian steamer Maple Cove is towed into Vancouver harbor by the tug Island Sovereign. The crews of both ships were lugged the rocks by the rolling sea, so they fought to bring the Maple Cove to safety. Most of them tied themselves to their bunks to get a little sleep.



Happiest men in Canada were the crew of the Maple Cove when they saw Vancouver harbor. For the nine days after the ship hit her rudder, the men had little food, little sleep and thought that at any moment the ship would be sunk by the 40-foot waves.—Central Press Canadian.



JAIL FACILITIES EXPANDED IN KENYA COLONY—With many arrests of rebellious Mau Mau of Britain's Kenya colony, jail facilities have been expanded, but there is still not enough space to house all those in custody. In most villages, extensions to jail facilities are being made, and in the village of Kiandara, the extension, shown here, consists of green-covered circular huts surrounded by barbed wire and guarded by native policemen. British authorities say the rebellion is mostly confined to the Kiwayu tribe, a minority element in Kenya.—Central Press Canadian.



FIND AMMUNITION CACHE FOR CUBAN REVOLTS—The little pathfinding, definitely not an office Christmas party, was held in the police station at Manzanowick, N.Y., after police seized a large cache of munitions in a vacant gas station in Manzanowick and seized three men in connection therewith. The explosives were allegedly intended for an anti-Batista revolution in Cuba. From left are prisoner Alfred Maubien, who is fighting a life guard for the sample of contraband on the table; Police Chief Louis Giamandrea, prisoner Frank Connel, covering face; Assistant District Attorney Morton Edelman, Judge Frank Orletta and (extreme right), holding Winchester County Sheriff John E. Hor. A third man was seized in Yonkers and police are seeking the Cuban plotter involved in the arms deal.—Central Press Canadian.



IT TASTES BETTER THAN EVER, NOW—Pizza pie has become Italy's most celebrated dish, almost overnight. It started when Gen. Eisenhower said he preferred New York-made pizza to the original made in Italy. But U.S. Admiral Carney and other visitors to Italy sprang to the defense of the Italian product, invited the general to go to Naples and eat his words along with the pizza. Here Mrs. Carney and Turkish general Kahal-Okan, both staunch supporters of the Italian handicraft, publicly show their preference in Naples. Pizzas consists of flour, cheese, olive oil and spices.—Central Press Canadian.



READY FOR INTERNATIONAL ROLE—Successfully completing its preliminary flight test over Boeing Field, Washington, is the new, glider, eight jet, swept-wing B-52 Stratofortress, the new "global" or international bomber. It has been ordered into production by the United States Air Force and the initial fabrication of parts are now well under way. Two experimental models it was announced, have been given trials.



GROUND ALL GLOBEMASTERS—Following the crash of the U.S.A.F. Globemaster with the loss of 40 lives, authorities have grounded all planes of that type until a thorough check has been made. The Globemaster, as shown here, is the world's largest military transport in service and can carry 200 full-equipped troops in its massive hold.—Central Press Canadian.



STRIKE ONE!—"Lately," said Hon. Douglas C. Abbott, Minister of Finance, as he broke up a shiny one-cent piece after striking the first Canadian coin bearing the profile of Queen Elizabeth. He was presented the coin by W. C. Rutten, master of the mint. The new coin will be in the hands of all chartered banks and ready for distribution soon. The working with Mr. Abbott in Bedford Region, of Ottawa.

